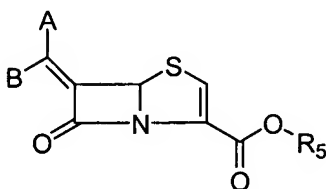


Amendments to the Specification:

Please make the following replacements to the pending application.

At Page 269, replace the paragraph under the heading "ABSTRACT" with the following paragraph:

The present invention provides a process of making compounds of formula I, which are useful for the treatment of bacterial infection or disease.



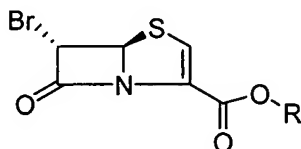
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comprising condensing an aldehyde 17:

A'-CHO

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with 6-bromo-penem derivative of structure 16:



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